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In Response to the Official Action of August 30, 2000, issued with respect to the present application, Applicants herewith submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

## **Amendments**

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In the Specification:

At page 19, lines 28-29, please replace the phrase "Atty. Docket No. GRFN-028/00US" with the phrase -- US Patent Application Serial No. 09/141,964 --

At page 30, line 10, please replace the phrase "U.S. Serial No. 06/079,957" with the phrase -- U.S. Serial No. 60/079,957 -- .

On page 67, please replace the abstract of the invention with the following text:

Novel proteins and protein libraries are disclosed. The proteins possess one or more functional protein modules from different parent protein molecules. The proteins and protein libraries are exemplified by the preparation of cross-over chemokines that contain various combinations of peptide segments derived from RANTES, SDS-1 and vMIP-I and to vMIP-II. The proteins and libraries are